

Town of Vermont Board Meeting  
February 13, 2023  
Vermont Town Hall  
4017 County Rd JJ, Black Earth WI 53515  
7:00 P.M.

To Join the meeting by phone: +1 347-896-0991 PIN: 481 262 925#

In attendance: Karen, Doug, Kirk, Alex, Nick

1. Call to order and certification of notice posting

Karen called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Katie certified that the meeting had been published in the Mount Horeb Mail and Star News and on the town website, the door of town hall and emailed to subscribers.

2. Approval of agenda

Doug motioned to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0

3. Approval of January 2022 minutes

Nick moved to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved 5-0

4. Chairman's report and acknowledgments

nothing to report

5. Citizens' Input

none

6. Treasurer's report

January deposits:\$852,638.44 The first installment of transportation aid was received this month. Tax season went fairly smoothly, other than the post office delivery issues. Total Account balance:\$1,312,000.04

Karen made a motion to approve the treasurer's report and the motion carried 5-0

7. Clerk's report

The February Primary is next Tuesday and we are all set with poll workers. There were no permits for new construction this month. Bills were very routine.

Karen made a motion to approve the clerks report. Motion carried 5-0

8. Payment of bills

Doug moved to pay the bills. Motion carried 5-0

9. Patrolman Report, Mt. Horeb Fire Department, Black Earth Fire District and District 1 EMS Reports

The IH is in the shop to work on the hydraulics for the wing blade. This will be under the warranty. We have gotten through the salt from last season and are working down the older salt in the shed.

Mount Horeb Fire- 2022 ended up in the black, due to additional federal funds and a donation from the estate of Rose McClare. There are no updates on the unionization plan.

Black Earth Fire is still planning for the driveway survey.

10. Horribly Hilly Hundred Permit Application

We did not have a representative present, so no action was taken. A resident was here to speak to the disruption on Ryan Road and the town patrolman spoke again about the issues with clean-up after the event.

11. Discussion and possible decision on the replacement of the Ford 550 truck

We estimate the current truck would sell for about 40,000. With carryover and reserve we could probably cover the cost of the new truck. The current truck is 8 years old, and we would need to order in March for a 2023 truck.

Kirk Lynch moved to approve the acquisition of a 2023 F-550 for replacement of the current truck with the current truck to be sold. Motion carried 5-0

12. Year-End Financial Review

Heather went over a high level look at the 2022 financials in preparation for the town meeting. Overall the budget looked good as we brought in slightly more than we had budgeted for. Total expenses for the year were \$2.9 million.

13. Reserve Accrual

14. Discussion regarding listening session with Dane County Land and Water Resources coordinated by the Dane County Towns Association

The session was good and Nick would like to follow up with Jeremy on some of the things that were discussed. Jeremy also said he would call into meetings that are discussing projects. They are discussing putting together a fact sheet. The town would like to discuss a preliminary review letter.

15. Approval of elections inspectors for 2023-2024

Doug made a motion to approve the elections inspectors for 2023-2024. Motion carried 5-0.

16. Agenda items for March

truck bid

year end financial review and reserve accrual

Horribly Hilly Hundred application

website updates

Land and Water Resources letter

17. Adjournment

Nick made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.